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Death and disability benefits

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The information contained in the annex to the present note is submitted pursuant to paragraphs 16 and 17 of General Assembly resolution 51/239 A of 17 June 1997, in which the Assembly noted that, as at 19 May 1997, a backlog of 564 death and disability claims awaited processing and requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly quarterly written reports on the progress made in clearing the backlog.

2. The first quarterly report, dated 28 October 1997 (A/52/538), presented information relating to death and disability incidents occurring up to and including 30 June 1997, indicating the total number of claims from the backlog that had been received since 19 May 1997, as well as the number of claims processed as at 30 September 1997. The second quarterly report provided updated information as at 31 December 1997 (A/C.5/52/37), while the third quarterly report presented updated information as at 31 March 1998 (A/C.5/52/50). The fourth quarterly report provided updated information as at 30 June 1998 (A/C.5/53/16).

3. The present document constitutes the fifth quarterly report. The information presented in the attached annex indicates the total number of claims received from troop-contributing countries as at 30 June 1998, identifying the number of claims received since 19 May 1997. This information is presented by country (table A) and by peacekeeping operation (table B). A comparison of the total number of incidents of death and disability reported by peacekeeping operations as at 30 September 1998 and the related number of claims submitted to the Secretariat is presented in table C.

4. It should be recalled that, as was reflected in the fourth quarterly report, a total of 90 claims were awaiting processing as at 30 June 1998. As at 30 September 1998, the total number of claims awaiting processing stands at 147. Of this total, 73 claims constitute part of the backlog, as they were received prior to 19 May 1997. The remaining 74 claims were received in the period following 19 May 1997. A total of 213 claims were received by the Secretariat during the month of September 1998, which greatly contributed to the increase in the number of unprocessed claims.

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Annex

A. Death and disability claims backlog report for incidents occurring up to and including 30 June 1997 as at 30 September 1998 (by country)

Country	*Claims received prior to 19 May 1997*	*Claims received after 19 May 1997*	*Claims processed from 19 May 1997 to 30 September 1998*	*Total claims awaiting processing*
Argentina	9	2	11	—
Austria	35	14	24	25
Bangladesh	27	—	—	27
Belgium	—	48	48	—
Brazil	—	1	1	—
Bulgaria	41	19	60	—
Canada	12	17	22	7
Czech Republic	7	—	7	—
Denmark	—	22	10	12
Egypt	42	5	47	—
Fiji	26	—	26	—
Finland	1	34	17	18
France	107	210	305	12
Germany	3	—	2	1
Indonesia	8	—	1	7
Ireland	37	31	66	2
Italy	56	13	69	—
Jordan	3	252	240	15
Malawi	—	6	6	—
Malaysia	—	1	1	—
Nepal	—	12	12	—
Netherlands	—	2	2	—
Pakistan	1	6	7	—
Poland	64	63	127	—
Russian Federation	11	—	1	10
Senegal	1	1	2	—
Slovakia	6	—	6	—
Spain	10	2	12	—
Thailand	2	1	2	1
Tunisia	2	2	2	2
Turkey	3	—	3	—
Ukraine	9	41	42	8

Country	*Claims received prior to 19 May 1997*	*Claims received after 19 May 1997*	*Claims processed from 19 May 1997 to 30 September 1998*	*Total claims awaiting processing*
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	23	—	23	—
Uruguay	2	2	4	—
Zimbabwe	16	—	16	—
Total	**564**	**807**	**1 224**	**147**

B. Death and disability claims backlog report for incidents occurring up to and including 30 June 1997 as at 30 September 1998 (by peacekeeping operation)

Mission	*Claims received prior to 19 May 1997*	*Claims received after 19 May 1997*	*Claims processed from 19 May 1997 to 30 September 1998*	*Total claims awaiting processing*
ONUMOZ	4	—	4	—
UNAMIR	3	26	27	2
UNAVEM	—	5	3	2
UNCRO	—	2	1	1
UNDOF	30	35	43	22
UNFICYP	9	3	7	5
UNIFIL	140	124	233	31
UNIKOM	2	3	2	3
UNMIH	2	1	1	2
UNOSOM	104	32	127	9
UNPREDEP	—	11	4	7
UNPROFOR	178	475	607	46
UNTAC	89	39	118	10
UNTAES	—	50	43	7
UNTAG	3	1	4	—
Total	**564**	**807**	**1 224**	**147**

C. Total number of death and disability incidents reported and claims submitted for incidents occurring up to and including 30 June 1997 as at 30 September 1998 (by peacekeeping operation)

	Death		*Disability*		*Total*	
Mission	*Incidents reported*	*Claims*	*Incidents reported*	*Claims*	*Incidents reported*	*Claims*
ONUMOZ	21	10	51	2	72	12
MINURSO	3	—	8	—	11	—
UNAMIR	22	18	50	15	72	33
UNAVEM	31	3	56	2	87	5
UNCRO	17	—	54	2	71	2
UNDOF	38	6	415	112	453	118
UNFICYP	162	3	87	16	249	19
UNIFIL	225	55	1 157	301	1 382	356
UNIKOM	8	5	29	—	37	5
UNMIH	5	4	14	3	19	7
UNOSOM	151	96	423	186	574	282
UNPREDEP	3	3	12	8	15	11
UNPROFOR	232	141	1 501	549	1 733	690
UNTAC	41	46	53	114	94	160
UNTAES	9	1	63	49	72	50
UNTAG	11	3	30	1	41	4
Total	**979**	**394**	**4 003**	**1 360**	**4 982**	**1 754**